





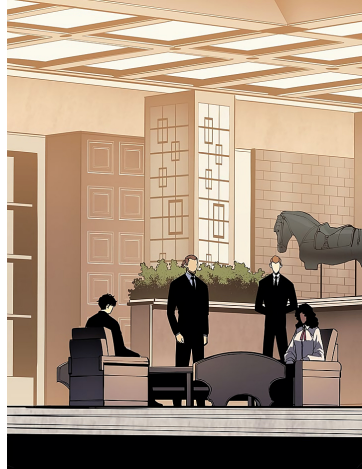
# Solo Leveling

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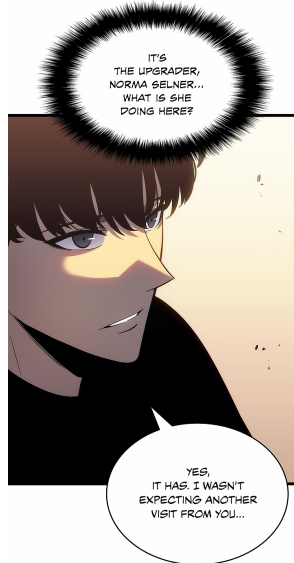


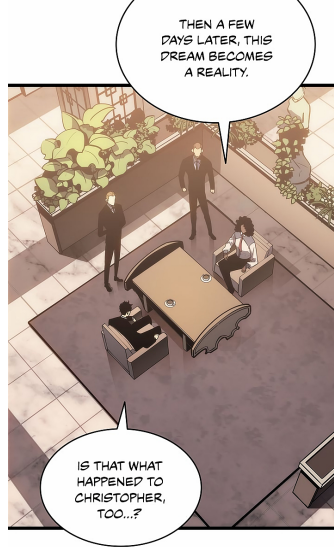




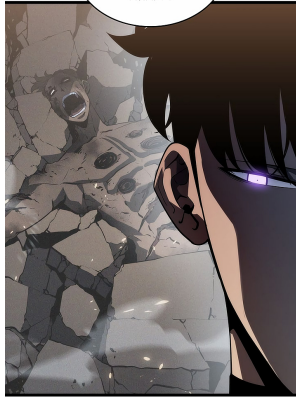
IT'S  
BEEN A WHILE,  
MR. SUNG.







AND AS A  
RESULT... WELL,  
I'M SURE YOU'RE  
ALREADY WELL  
AWARE.



POWERFUL  
HUNTERS WHO HAVE  
BEEN PROTECTING  
OUR WORLD WILL  
CONTINUE TO DIE.



THE BEINGS THAT  
ARE HUNTING THEM  
DOWN WILL STOP  
AT NOTHING.

SO... ARE YOU  
WARNING ME TO BE  
CAREFUL OF THEM  
AS WELL?



NO.

*I WANT YOU  
TO PROTECT  
THE HUNTERS.*



I TRIED MY BEST  
TO REMEMBER THE  
ASSAILANTS' FACES  
IN MY RECURRING  
DREAM...



...BUT I WAS  
UNSUCCESSFUL.

SO I DECIDED TO  
TRY A DIFFERENT  
METHOD.



I DECIDED TO USE  
MY ABILITY TO SEE  
WHO THEY REALLY  
WERE FROM WITHIN  
MY DREAM.



THEN THAT TIME  
YOU LOOKED INTO  
MY EYES WAS  
ALSO TO...?

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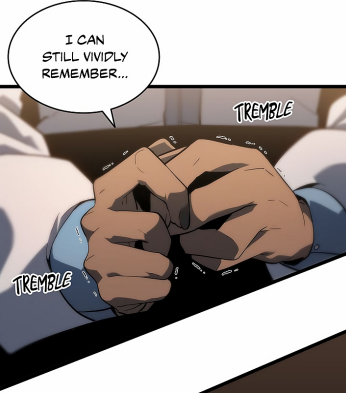


YES.

I FOUND  
LIMITLESS POWER  
ROOTED IN  
THEM...



AND WHEN  
I LOOKED EYES WITH  
"THAT THING," I HAD  
NO CHOICE BUT TO  
WAKE UP.



*TO GO  
BACK...*



*...AND  
PATIENTLY WAIT  
FOR THE WAR.*

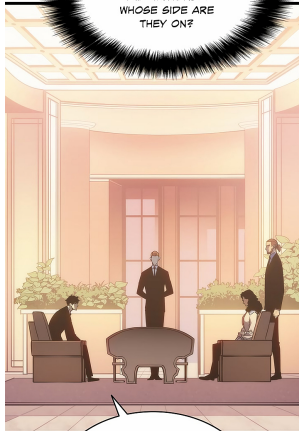
IT'S WHAT  
THE KING OF THE  
GIANTS TOLD ME  
ABOUT...



THE BATTLE  
BETWEEN THE  
RULERS AND THE  
MONARCHS.

THEN...

THE GUYS  
WHO ARE AFTER  
THE HUNTERS...  
WHOSE SIDE ARE  
THEY ON?



BUT WHAT DOES  
THIS HAVE TO DO WITH  
YOUR REQUEST?



...I SAW THE SAME  
POWER WITHIN YOU,  
MR. SUNG.

What is...  
power?  
I wonder...



DID SHE SEE THE  
SHADOW MONARCH'S  
POWER INSIDE OF  
ME THAT DAY?

IF THE ASSAILANTS  
IN HER DREAM HAD  
THE SAME POWER,  
THEN...

...THEY MUST BE  
MONARCHS.

THESE BEINGS  
FAR SURPASS THE  
CAPABILITIES OF  
HUNTERS.

SO IN ORDER TO  
STOP THEM, WE NEED  
A HUNTER LIKE YOU,  
SOMEONE WHO CAN  
STAND ON EQUAL  
FOOTING WITH  
THEM.



TO BE HONEST,  
WE WERE SKEPTICAL  
WHEN WE WERE TOLD  
THAT YOU WERE THE ONLY  
ONE OUT THERE WHO  
COULD PROTECT THE  
OTHER HUNTERS, BUT...

...AFTER SEEING YOUR  
FIGHT WITH MR. ANDRE  
YESTERDAY, WE CHANGED  
OUR MINDS.

OF COURSE,  
WE DON'T EXPECT  
YOU TO HELP US  
FOR FREE.



WE ARE  
WILLING TO GIVE YOU  
ANYTHING YOU WANT... EVEN  
THE RUNE STONE, THE MOST  
VALUABLE TREASURE THAT  
KAMISH LEFT BEHIND.

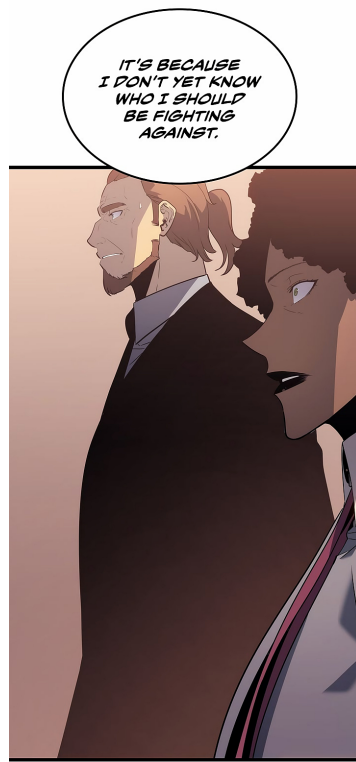
THERE ARE HUNTERS IN  
THIS WORLD WHO HAVE  
RECEIVED A GREAT  
BLESSING.

AND THEIR  
POWERS HAVE KEPT  
THE WORLD SAFE.

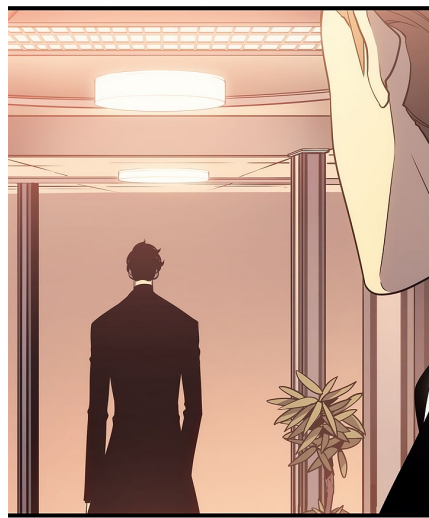
WITHOUT THEM,  
THE WORLD WILL  
FALL APART.

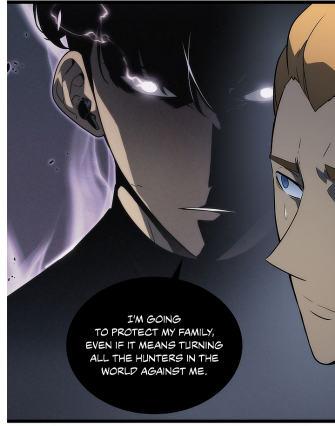
...

...I'M SORRY.









COULD YOU GIVE ME  
THE LIST OF HUNTERS  
THEY WANT ME TO  
PROTECT?

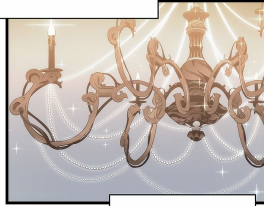


I'D ALSO APPRECIATE  
IT IF YOU COULD SET UP  
A MEETING WITH THE  
INDIVIDUALS ON THAT  
LIST.

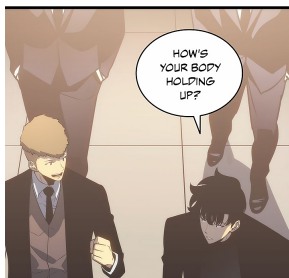
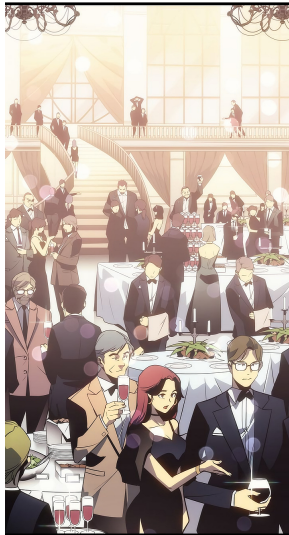


*OF COURSE!*

AN EVENT HOSTED BY  
THE BUREAU OF HUNTERS  
ON THE LAST DAY OF  
THE INTERNATIONAL  
GUILD CONFERENCE...



*THE NIGHT OF  
THE HUNTERS.*



HOW'S  
YOUR BODY  
HOLDING  
UP?



IT FEELS  
BETTER THAN  
EVER, SIR!

WHEN I HEARD YOU  
DUKED IT OUT WITH THOMAS  
ANDRE, THE MAN PEOPLE  
CALL "GOLIATH" IN ORDER  
TO PROTECT ME, I...



HEY, LOOK  
OVER THERE...

I SAW. HE'S RIGHT  
IN FRONT OF US, BUT  
I CAN'T FEEL HIS  
PRESENCE AT ALL.



HE'S ON A  
DIFFERENT  
LEVEL.

THEN THE HUNTER  
NEXT TO HIM MUST  
BE...?





SUNG JINWOO  
FOUGHT THOMAS  
ANDRE TO RESCUE  
THAT GUY?

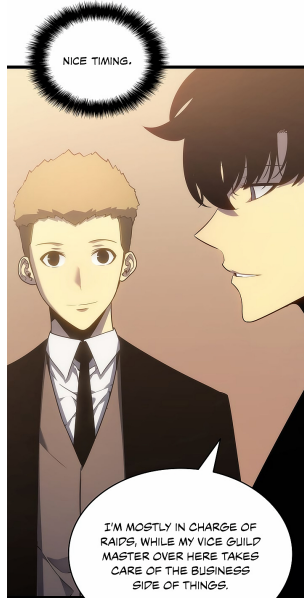


IT'S AN HONOR  
TO MEET YOU,  
MR. SUNG.

I'M THE CEO  
OF A COMPANY  
THAT SPECIALIZES  
IN HANDLING THE  
DISPOSAL OF MAGIC  
BEAST REMAINS.

I'M INTERESTED  
IN PURCHASING  
THE GIANTS YOU  
DEFEATED.

MAY I HAVE  
A MOMENT OF  
YOUR TIME?



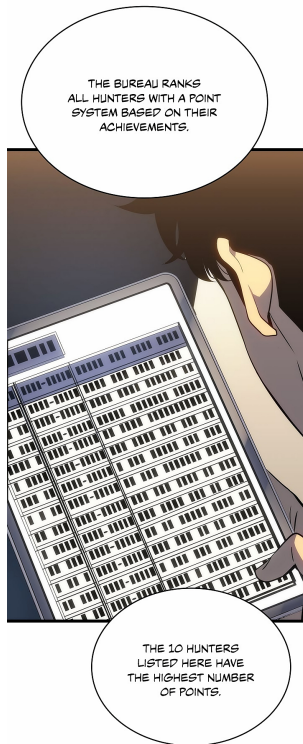


...FOR YOU.



HE'S REALLY GROWN INTO HIS OWN AS A VICE GUILD MASTER.



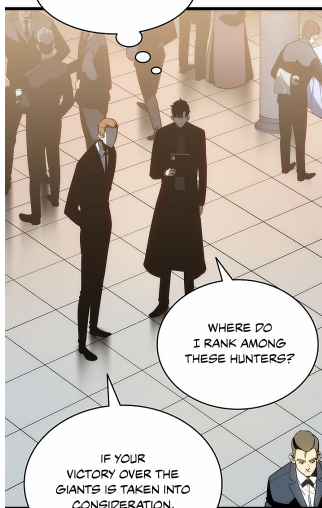


ARE THE INDIVIDUALS  
YOU'LL BE ASKED TO  
PROTECT.



SO THESE  
PEOPLE ARE  
YOUR HIGHEST  
PRIORITY.

HUNTER POINTS;  
HUH...?



WHERE DO  
I RANK AMONG  
THESE HUNTERS?

IF YOUR  
VICTORY OVER THE  
GIANTS IS TAKEN INTO  
CONSIDERATION,

YOU'D  
PROBABLY BE IN  
THIRD OR FOURTH  
PLACE.



FIRST PLACE IS THOMAS  
ANDRE, SECOND PLACE  
IS LIU ZHIGANG, THIRD  
PLACE IS CHRISTOPHER  
REED, FOURTH PLACE IS  
SIDDHARTH BACHCHAN,  
AND FIFTH PLACE IS...

WHAT A PAIN.  
I'LL JUST ASSIGN A  
SHADOW TO ALL OF THEM  
INSTEAD OF MEMORIZING  
EACH AND EVERY  
NAME.

AND IT JUST SO  
HAPPENS, THIS IS THE  
PERFECT PLACE TO SEND  
OUT MY SHADOW  
SOLDIERS.





I'LL USE  
THE HUNTERS TO  
APPROACH THE  
MONARCHS...

FSHHH

THEN I'LL BE  
ABLE TO TELL  
WHO'S A FRIEND  
AND WHO'S A  
FOE...

...AND FIGURE  
OUT HOW TO FIGHT  
AGAINST THE  
OPPOSING SIDE.





LET ME  
ASK YOU ONE  
THING.



I'M TOLD THAT THIS  
ARM... CAN'T BE TREATED  
BY THE HEALERS BECAUSE  
THE MANA DAMAGE IS  
TOO SEVERE.

MY DOCTOR ALSO SAID  
THE SAME THING. THAT EVEN  
THOUGH MY ARM IS HEALING  
SLOWLY, IT'S GONNA TAKE  
A WHILE FOR IT TO FULLY  
RECOVER.

YOU WERE MORE  
THAN CAPABLE OF NOT  
ONLY FINISHING ME OFF,  
BUT ALSO WIPING OUT  
THE MEMBERS OF  
MY GUILD.



BUT AMIDST ALL THAT  
CHAOS, NOT A SINGLE  
PERSON DIED.

THAT IS,  
ASIDE FROM  
MR. HWANG,  
THE ONE WHO  
STARTED  
IT ALL.













...I SEE.



I'M PLANNING ON GOING ALL OUT FOR MR. HWANG'S FUNERAL SERVICE.

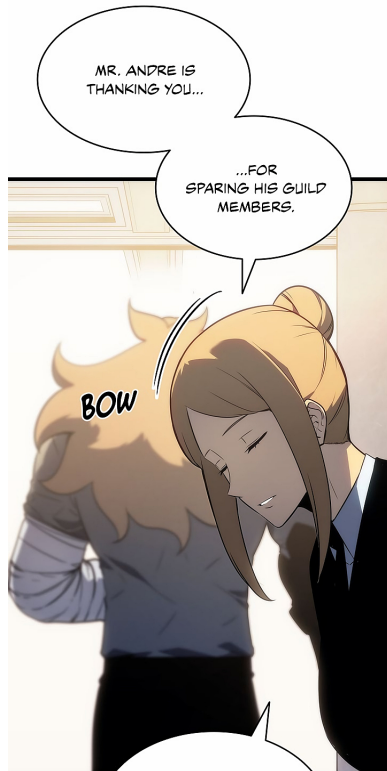
I KNOW THAT HE COMMITTED A SERIOUS CRIME, BUT I HOPE YOU WILL AT LEAST LET HIM HAVE A PROPER FUNERAL.



OH, ALSO, LET'S GRAB A BITE ONCE MY ARM'S BETTER.



IF YOU LEAVE YOUR  
NUMBER WITH MY  
MANAGER, I'LL GET  
IN TOUCH WITH YOU  
SOMETIME.



MR. ANDRE IS  
THANKING YOU...

...FOR  
SPARING HIS GUILD  
MEMBERS.

BOW

HE MAY NOT  
LOOK IT, BUT HE'S  
ACTUALLY QUITE  
SHY.

MR. SUNG:  
IF IT ISN'T TOO MUCH  
TROUBLE, COULD YOU  
TELL ME YOUR CONTACT  
INFORMATION?

MR. ANDRE WOULD  
ALSO LIKE TO THANK  
YOU WITH A GIFT,

SO PLEASE  
LET ME KNOW IF  
THERE'S ANYTHING  
YOU WANT.

OH, THANK  
YOU, BUT I'M  
ALL RIGHT.

MR. ANDRE...  
CAN'T STAND BEING  
INDEBTED TO ANYONE  
BECAUSE OF HIS HIGHLY  
COMPETITIVE NATURE.

SO PLEASE TELL  
ME WHAT YOU WANT.  
ANYTHING IS OKAY.

HE WANTS TO  
THANK ME WITH  
A GIFT...?

A GOOD  
DAGGER WOULD  
BE NICE...

A DAGGER...  
UNDERSTOOD.  
THANK YOU,  
MR. SUNG.

NOW THEN,  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO  
MEET THE HUNTERS  
ON THE LIST?

LET ME  
ESCORT YOU.

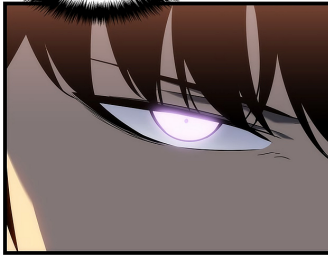
NO, THERE'S  
NO NEED FOR  
THAT.



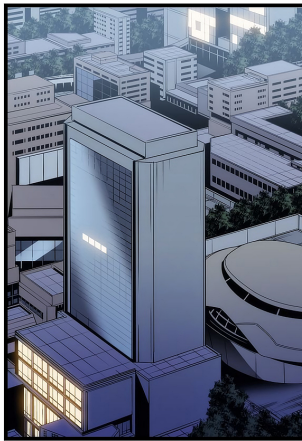


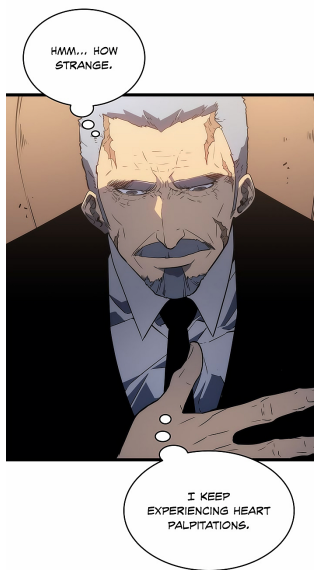


DID THEY GET  
HIM ALREADY?



THAT MEANS  
THERE ARE SEVEN  
PEOPLE LEFT.







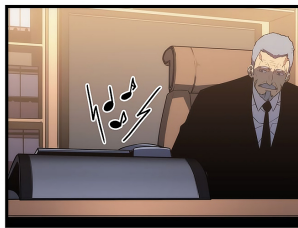
HAVE I...  
REACHED  
MY LIMIT?

MY DOCTOR TOLD  
ME I COULD DIE WITHIN  
THE NEXT SIX MONTHS  
IF I DIDN'T RETIRE  
RIGHT AWAY.



BUT A YEAR WENT  
BY, THEN ANOTHER...  
AND HERE I AM  
NOW.

IF THIS IS AS FAR  
AS I CAN GO, THERE'S  
NOT MUCH I CAN DO  
ABOUT IT. AT LEAST  
I'VE MANAGED TO  
MAKE IT THIS FAR.













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